

# Agenda Report

**TO:** City Council

March 20, 2001

**THROUGH:** Legislative Committee

**FROM:** City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Support for Assembly Bill 227 (Longville) *Transportation: Funding.*

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Support Assembly Bill 227 (Longville) *Transportation: Funding; and*
2. Authorize the Mayor to send letters to the appropriate authorities stating Pasadena's position.

## **BACKGROUND**

On July 7, 2000, the Governor signed AB 2928 which was the budget trailer bill for the transportation finance package which transferred approximately \$6.8 billion over the next five years from the State General Fund to the Transportation Investment Fund for transportation purposes. Cities and counties will receive approximately \$1 billion of this money for preservation, maintenance and rehabilitation of the local street and road system. This money must be used to enhance existing preventative maintenance programs. In October of 2000, the City of Pasadena received the first year allotment of \$1,025,000. These funds will be used to enhance the City's preventative maintenance program for alleys and streets. The City will receive approximately \$434,000 per year over the next four years.

On February 13, 2001, Assembly Member Longville introduced AB 227, *Transportation Funding*, which would indefinitely extend the period for the transfer of funds from the State General Fund to the Transportation Investment Fund for transportation purposes. These funds would be divided as follows:

- 1) 40 percent to the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP);
- 2) 40 percent to Local Streets and Roads; and
- 3) 20 percent to transit (Public Transportation Account).

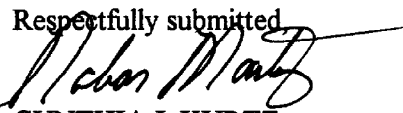
The exact amount that each city will receive has not yet been determined, but it is expected to exceed the AB 2829 yearly allotments. This bill will make the Transportation Investment Fund a stable, dedicated revenue source for our local transportation system.

The League of California Cities supports this bill because of its overall benefit to cities. This bill will be heard by the Assembly Committee on Transportation on March 19, 2001.

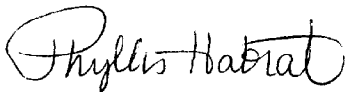
**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Passage of AB 227 would permanently provide transportation revenue directly to Pasadena and all other cities and counties in the state for maintenance of local streets and roads.

Respectfully submitted,


  
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